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FRANK W. WHITE, Hon. Secretary, V.R.C.;

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1902. [133]

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again by Germany and France a few weeks ago, will at least be accorded some attention. We have already expressed our opinion, which is shared by the whole of the Anglo-Chinese Press, we think, that the attempt to raise the Yangtze question now is not only unnecessary, since the integrity of the Yangtze Valley has already been guaranteed, but is also animated by an unfriendly spirit toward Great Britain. We have suggested that there is revealed one more instance of the Chinese love of playing off one Power against another, for we are loth to think that Germany deliberately set about to undermine the position of Great Britain, her avowed ally. It is difficult to see what "conditions" for the evacuation of Shanghai are left for the subsequent settlement of which REUTER speaks.

If, as is stated, Sir ERNEST SATOW is to attend a conference in London, it is to be trusted that the British Government will take the opportunity of being enlightened on various points in connection with its policy in China. In His Majesty's present Minister at Peking they will find one who has represented his country with more credit than any of his recent predecessors, the only one of late years, in fact, who appears to have grasped the situation. He went to Peking after a considerable period of declining prestige for Great Britain in China. During his brief term of office he has struggled manfully, and not without some success, to restore his country's name. He seems to have recognised that Britain's status in China was and is in grave peril of being lost. That Sir ERNEST SATOW will impress this on the minds of the responsible Ministers at home, if the chance be given him, we have some reason for trusting. The question of British influence in China may be divided into three parts, corresponding to three sections of China. The North, where by the natural course of events, aided by the entire absence of any intelligible or consistent British policy for many years past, Britain plays a very small part, and Russia is the absolutely predominant nation. There is the Central or Yangtze region, where Britain has always held the hegemony, and only recently has a claimant been found to dispute the "sphere of influence," which was so much talked about in the days of China's loss of Port Arthur and Kiaochau. Lastly, there is the South (which means here Canton and the West River) where the position of Hongkong gives such natural advantages that the leading place among the foreign nations concerned in this region can only be lost by a long course of apathy. It is full time that the British Government should consider intelligently, as it has never done before, its policy with regard to the Chinese Empire. What is now wanted is consolidation of our position and a determination to resist aggressions, open or covert. Did other Powers make the spirit of their policy agree with the letter of their assurances, we might continue without much loss in the old carelessness and irrational way. But several other Powers are very wide awake to the opportunities offered to them by British supineness, and even the best framed conventions are susceptible of various interpretations. Therefore an understanding at home on the China question, or collection of questions, as it would be more correct to say, is earnestly to be hoped for.

The English mail of the 25th ult. was delivered in London on the 22nd inst.

The meeting of the Legislative Council is postponed till to-morrow, at the same hour.

We are requested to draw attention to a notice in another column about the Ladies' Recreation Club subscription ball, which takes place on the 9th prox. Tickets are transferable.

By a matches fire at Shiklupi, where operations are proceeding in connection with the new reservoir, damage to the extent of \$300 was done. The matches were the property of Tsang King, the contractor.

The China Merchants' ss. *Hsin Fang* arrived in the Harbour yesterday afternoon, having on board the body of the late Viceroy Tu Mu, which is being conveyed to the deceased's native place in Chekiang for burial. The eldest son accompanied his father's remains to their last resting-place.

There will be a practice of the Rugby section of the H.K.F.C. this afternoon at Happy Valley, at 4.45, and it is hoped that there will be as large a turn out of members as possible, any new comers to the Colony who play and also any players who have not participated in any of the games will also be welcomed.

On Saturday Mr. Geo. F. Lammett will sell by auction in his saleroom in Duddell Street a collection of pictures, comprising steel engravings (including artist's proofs), coloured portraits and platings, the property of a well-known local gentleman who has unavoidably left for home. The collection, which is a very fine one, is on view at Mr. Lammett's rooms on Saturday, and should be viewed by all lovers of art.

The Yokohama A.D.C. played Joseph Decrief's farcical comedy *Urvafur* with great success on the 12th.

The net loss in the recent fire at Messrs. Siber and Wolff, Yokohama, is estimated at 1,250,000 yen.

An inquest was held at Tientsin on the 19th inst. on the body of Mr. Baxter, who was killed in the colliery fire at Tongshan on the previous Monday.

The French school at Peking is to be reopened soon. Several professors have been already engaged. This school is under the direction of Chirese.

The *Universal Gazette* learns that Wu Ting-fang, the retiring Chinese Minister at Washington, has been instructed from Peking to visit Japan on the way home, with the view of reporting on diplomatic relations, school affairs and other matters that have been the subject of consideration at the two capitals recently.

Captain Moll of the Colonial Infantry has been appointed Commissioner for France, says *L'Echo de Chine*, to proceed with the British delegates to attend to the delimitation of the Franco-British frontier from north of the Sokoto to Lake Tschad. He will be aided in his mission by Lieutenant Tillot, etc. of the Colonial Infantry, and by an administrator of the colonies not yet designated.

An unknown steamer ran down a trading junk, according to the statement of the owner of the Chinese boat, outside the harbour at eight o'clock on Monday night, cutting her in two. The junk's crew were rescued by two fishing boats, but one man, a native passenger, is now reported to be missing. The steamer, whose name is unknown, was making for the harbour, as also was the unfortunate junk, which was struck amidships.

The *P. and T. Times* of the 13th inst. says that the occurrence of a financial crash among the Chinese merchants at Tientsin is only a question of time. Prince Su has extracted two million taels from the Wai Wu Fu for the continuation of public works in Peking. The Peking Syndicate is getting on splendidly in Hanoi, and will have its locomotives running in another month. There has been another breach in the Yellow River near the mouth.

Advices from German "Makim" in Kuala Selangor district report the discovery of a treasure trove there a short time ago. A gang of coolies were engaged in cutting a drain when they came upon a box, embedded in the earth, which on being opened contained a quantity of coins with inscriptions which proved on examination to be Dutch and Javanese characters. The year 1787 is clearly discernible on the coins which corresponds with the period of the Dutch invasion of the Malacca Peninsula.

A vigorous attack has been made on Sheng Kung-pai by two well-known Censors. The denunciation consists of twelve counts, charging him with avarice, extravagance, and nepotism. A report circulated in mandarin circles in Shanghai, according to the *N.C. Daily News*, states that the Throne has ordered Viceroy Chang Chih-tung to investigate the charges, and that he has appointed a couple of his subordinate officers to journey to Shanghai and make secret enquiries thereabout.

The Tientsin correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News* telegraphed on the 18th inst. — "It is feared that the hoisting of the dragon flag at the mines on the pretext that it was the birthday of the Dowager Empress precludes some action on the part of the Chinese prejudicial to the company generally. The situation remains complicated, and the most conflicting statements are being made. Mr. Young, a former director, publishes some extraordinary statements, but nothing definite is anticipated until the meeting which is to be held on the 23rd inst." The notice of meeting referred to in the above telegram will be found in another column.

Messrs. Behn Meyer & Co.'s ss. *Kelantan* was sunk in a collision with the steamer *Phra Chom Kao* on the Bangkok bar early on the morning of the 13th inst. The *Kelantan* is a steamer of 6.8 tons, under the German flag, and commanded by Captain Lettmann. She left Singapore for Bangkok on the evening of the 9th inst. in ballast. Messrs. Behn Meyer & Co.'s agents in Bangkok inform them that it will take about two months to raise and repair the injured vessel. The *Phra Chom Kao*, which collided with the *Kelantan*, was bound down the river to Hongkong. She is also one of Messrs. Behn Meyer's steamers. Her captain's name is Brahm and she is considerably larger than the *Kelantan*, having a displacement of 1,012 tons.

Sir Julian Davers, K.C.S.I., who died on the 18th ult., at the age of seventy-six, was son of the late Mr. Frederick Davers, Davers, formerly secretary and registrar of the Duchy of Lancaster. He was educated at private schools and at King's College, London, and entered the service of the old East India House, in Leadenhall Street, in 1842. He was private secretary to the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the East India Company from 1848 till 1853, including Sir James Hogg and Sir Archibald Galloway. He was afterwards again appointed Government Director of Indian Railways, and visited India in his official capacity in 1873-6. In August 1880, he was appointed secretary in the Public Works Department at the India Office, though still continuing to be director of Indian railway companies. He was created a K.C.S.I. in 1886, and retired from the service in 1892. He was the author of the valuable annual official reports on railways in India presented to Parliament from 1858 till 1882.

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Mr. P. H. Kent, barrister, has been appointed legal adviser to the British Municipal Council, Tientsin.

Silver has been leaving Tientsin in considerable quantities for the South, according to the *China Times*.

The Chinese authorities at Amoy have subscribed \$800 towards a tablet to Capt. Fife, who was killed in the recent great fire.

An American paper states that "Bobon is going back to work, and the reason may now be considered officially closed."

A boxing match has been arranged at Manila between Louis Meyers and Billy Bellue at 148 lbs., to take place about the 6th of next month.

There is no foundation whatever for the reports in the *Universal Gazette* that Mr. Kinder is about to retire from the Imperial Railways, the *P. & T. Times* says.

The new Japanese cruiser *Nisshio*, 3,420 tons, 24 guns, 20 knots speed, was launched by the Emperor at Yokosuka on the 15th inst. Her keel was only laid in January last.

Preparations were being made at the beginning of the month for the Poro-Bulach boundary delimitation commission. It is believed at Qenita it will last for six months at least.

An attempt was made on the 5th inst. by a Corsair named Kim, at Hojo in Japan, to assassinate one of the Korean exiles, Li Chung-yong. The would-be assassin was handed over to the police.

At the inquest held last Friday at the German Consulate, Shanghai, on the body of Marie Ragger, who hanged herself on board the N.D.L. steamer *Gen* between Yokohama and Shanghai, a verdict of "suicide while of unsound mind" was returned.

H. E. Liang Ching, K.C.M.G., according to a Peking telegram, has left that city for Shanghai en route for a visit to his home in Kwangtung before proceeding to the United States. As at present understood, he is not expected to leave for San Francisco much before the end of January next.

It has been discovered by the U.S. Attorney-General that there is no provision in the Philippine Bill or any other law which authorised the extradition of any criminal from the Philippines Islands to the United States. This defect also works the other way, it being impossible to extradite a criminal from the United States to the Philippines. The Secretary of War recommends that Congress be asked to legislate upon this matter at its coming session.

The *Osaka Mainichi* reports that the alleged plot to damage the Imperial train at Otake station is now reported to have been without foundation. A letter regarding the alleged plot was received, but it was the work of some party who sought to cause trouble to the Chief of the Police Station at Otake, who, it appears, is very unpopular. The discovery of explosives on the track is denied. Although a great sensation was caused at the time the matter will be settled without any serious trouble to the local authorities after all.

Le *Courrier Saigonais* recently devoted the whole of its front page to the text of the address presented to the French Parliament by the French Colony at Bangkok concerning the Franco-Siamese Treaty. The address analysed the territorial, concessions and commercial advantages supposed to be gained under the Treaty. In the introduction the *Courrier* says:—"The French saw that man desired day at length arrive when they would cease to be pariahs to whom all doors are closed and whom a boycott to the death prevents from obtaining employment, commands, or work. The text of the Treaty transmitted by Hava's agency has changed all that. The foreigners who are friendly to France—and they are many—sincerely pity a great country like ours allowing itself once more to be foolishly misled by the crafty promises of Asiatics. Others whose narrow minds are not susceptible to any sentiment of equity and justice, are openly rejoiced at this fresh check sustained by our diplomacy. The introduction goes on to say that the signatures recognise that the course of protesting against a treaty after it has been signed is unusual, but point out the time-lag before news in Paris can reach Indo-China and pray Parliament to grant a suspension." Readers will be tempted to remark, with a well-known public entertainer, "Isn't it marvellous?"

S. GEORGE'S BALL

At a meeting held last evening in the City Hall in connection with the proposed S. George's Ball—Sir William M. Goodman presiding—it was decided to hold a ball on 6th January, 1903, and a sub-committee was appointed and other arrangements were made.

MUSIC ON THE PARADE GROUND

The following programme of music will be played by the band of the 1st Battalion Sherwood Foresters on the New Parade Ground, to-day, between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m.:

Marches..... "The Rifle Regiment"..... Soas Overture..... "Le Siège"..... Jones Intermezzo..... "On the Road to Moscow"..... Letz

Solo..... "The Belle of New York"..... Kuster Piccolo Solo "Le Coqlet"..... Damare Solo..... "The Geisha"..... Jones Intermezzo..... "On the Road to Moscow"..... Letz

Selection..... "God Save the King"

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENT

The N.Y.K. steamer *Walase Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 21st inst., and is expected here to-day.

TELEGRAMS

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE

GENERAL NEWS.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, 24th November, 3.10 p.m.

HERR KRUPP'S WILL

The late Herr Krupp left by his will the Essen works to his widow, with the proviso that the works shall not be sold or transferred to a company within 25 years' time. The daughter inherits on the widow's death.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 23rd November.

THE SUGAR CONVENTION.

In the House of Commons on Monday, the Government will introduce a resolution approving of the Sugar Convention. The opposition will move a direct question.

THE SUEZ CANAL DIRECTORATE.

The *Financial News* mentions a report that the British Government are about to propose the Imperial Commission composed of Messrs. Volpielli, Woodruff and four civil and military Mandarins was sent by the Viceroy of Canton Chang Chih-tung (now Acting Viceroy at Nanking) to the camp of the Chinese troops in Tientsin to communicate the Imperial Edict of immediate withdrawal.

This mission was carried out fully and promptly. Mr. Volpielli was away from Canton only a month, much of which was wasted in inevitable delays for steamers that they did not run so frequently to Haiphong, and in slow travelling by gunboat up the swift rivers. Still in that short time, amidst difficulties and dangers, the Chinese camp was reached, the evacuation was ordered (it commenced at Hongkong two days before the date assigned) and there was a balance of a few days for the *fatigues* which awaited the Commission at its return to Hanoi, where it was cordially received by the hitherto suspicious General Briere de l'Isle.

The work of the Commission was very arduous, but it was rewarded by the results achieved: it found a country suffering from the calamities of war and left it showing the first promises of returning prosperity. Mr. Volpielli, who may be considered the only survivor of the Commission, for most if not all of the Mandarins are dead and Mr. Woodruff left for America many years ago, will have now the additional pleasure of revisiting the country after 17 years' work of transformation, and of contemplating the *fatigues* of that prosperity which was just budding in the days immediately following the evacuation of the Chinese troops.

"THE LADY OF OSTEND."

The Janet Waldorf Company repeated their excellent comedy at the Theatre Royal last night, before another of the consistently good houses that have patronised their season here. Seen for the first time in Hongkong—the echo of its great success in London have yet barely died away—*The Lady of Ostend* has been received with a degree of genuine favour seldom accorded by theatre-goers here. Mr. Norval McGregor's impersonation of the Baron de Longueville is a revelation of the adaptability of the actor, for it is an arduous task to hold the stage as the central figure in an historical drama like *A Royal Divorce*, and an alarm brought the fire brigade quickly to the scene. The second in command of the Italian cruiser *Marco Polo* was on shore, attending the French parade in grand-tenue, and he signalled to his ship for assistance. The Italian sailors did splendid work together with a detachment from H.M.S. *Pique* under their officers. Both of these volunteer forces devoted themselves to protecting neighbouring property. The Italian Bank was very much exposed, the breeze carrying sparks and intense heat towards it; but some sailors managed to get a hose on the roof and thus saved the building, where the window-frames were already burning. The *Deluge* fire engine got the first powerful stream on the steamship building, other steam engines following quickly. Soon the roof fell in and set fire to the second floor, which again kindled the first. Indeed, the entire building was quickly engulfed, in spite of the excellent work done by the fire brigade and the sailors. Although the fire burned strongly it did not complete its destructive work for more than two hours, and until night the engines were engaged in drowning it out, throughs of people, foreign and native, looking on for hours from outside the police lines. The Italian Consul Signore Ghisi, threw open his house and served refreshments boutifully to all those at work. The house looked late in the day as if it had been through a deluge, owing to the masses of water buried at it in order to drive back the encroaching flames. Water flooded the floors and such as escaped by the staircases converted these passages into little bits of the ocean. Miss Yorke we should like to have seen more of. Her conception of the part she fills is a happy one, for whilst the vulgarisms of the mysterious lady of Ostend are reproduced plausibly and convincingly, they lose nothing in their plausibility. The other characters in the comedy were again admirably portayed by their respective exponentes.

Many people are anxious to know what other plays will be produced by the Janet Waldorf Company during the remainder of their season, we have learned from Mr. Arthur Seymour, the Company's representative, the list of productions to follow. *The Lady of Ostend* will be presented only one more night. On Thursday and Friday evenings the Theatre will be otherwise engaged. On Saturday, the Company will reopen with the celebrated realistic drama *Maidie*, with Miss Janet Waldorf in the title rôle. This will be succeeded in order by *Shakspere's laughable comedy Twelfth Night*, *Dumas' emotional drama Camille*, *Sherlock Holmes, Wrong Mr. Wright*, *Romeo and Juliet, Fairest the Music, and Street Nell of Old Drury*. This splendid repertoire should warrant a record season.

YU HSIEH'S LAST WORDS.

We are indebted to the *N.C. Daily News* for the following "Last Declaration" of the notorious Governor of Shensi, Yu Hsien, who was exiled on 2nd February, 1901, at Lanchow, Kans.

Notification by Governor Yu: a communication to the benevolent and gentry of this honourable city:

I have heard that the superior man loves others because of their virtue, and aids in carrying out their good deeds. I have offended against the Court, and death doubtless is my lot. Being a high official, it is fitting that I should obey the law; but I have nothing to regret and nothing to fear.

I have just heard that some people in various parts of this city have issued notices summoning the masses to assemble and to ask for my life. This must not be on my account.

I have been Governor in Shantung, and, during my term of office, have managed Chinese cases. That I have not been able to protect the foreigner's troubles was a fault in my administration.

Formerly the Court blamed me for using force. This truly was in order to keep things intact; but the demands and representations of the foreigners were endless, and so they had to be killed, and I was quite willing to do it. Hence I am now under (the ban of) the law, not by the original intention of the Court—there is absolutely no way of screening myself in this difficulty. I sympathise with (the Court), but am dumb and can make no reply; hence I die with no resentment. Beside, there is the saying of King Tseu:

"The Prince of heaven is intelligent and holy. If his servants offend they should be put to death."

You scholars probably know the passage. And the common saying runs: "If the Emperor command the Minister to die, would he dare not to die?"

You who listed to strolling story-tellers, and you who frequent theatres, are also aware of these things.

Now, if you will, in an irregular way, plead for my life, not only will it be useless, but the Court will add this to my offence that I have sought to win the favour of the populace, and have not met death in the customary manner. Think of it, gentlemen—is this to love me, or to injure me?

Moreover, when you unlawfully gather large numbers together, they are of all classes; can you guarantee that the Ko-tao Hut and other blackguards will not wait themselves of this opportunity to make a disturbance? In this I have thought much, and have been anxious for your honourable city; let me pray you to desist without delay, that I may observe the law, and meet death with dignity. This will cause me to be grateful and will give me pleasure.

If you will not listen to these feeble words of mine, I shall shut up to requesting death for myself at once, and you will thus hasten my death. Will your hearts be at rest, or not?

These are my lugubrious and sincere sentiments; I humbly beg you to excuse them.

Respectful notification by Yu Hsien.

P.S.—I, an unoffending minister, am unworthy favoured with the love of the benevolent and gentry of this honourable capital city, because I am about to die. Those who came to see me, I received in succession, but during these few days my strength has not been equal to it, and as I am making my dispositions for after death, I have no leisure to see any one else. If I have your permission, wait till after I have met my fate, and then give me a cup of the best wine, and a string of paper (in sacrifice). My spirit will be cognisant of (your death) and will receive your gifts with respect and gladness.

A pair of funeral scrolls, written by Governor Yu with his own hand.

The Minister has offended, and should be put to death.

He has no other purpose.

He desires to die as he has lived—in integrity. Not like those who daily sink into the hell of the unjustly accused.

I have abjured the ruler's grace—

Who can assuage his sorrow?

Kindly turn your attention, gentlemen, to help him.

And without delay minister comfort to the Emperor and Empress Dowager.

II.

The Minister dies for his country.

Who and concubine for the Minister.

Who can say it is not fitting?

The hardy to bear is the old mother's sorrow, ninety years of age.

And (that of) the daughter—seventeen years of age.

It is hard for both old and young;

It is impossible to avoid causing grief to mortal filial rule.

I have slain others, the Court says me.

What cause is there for resentment?

I am ashamed that I have served the Emperor twenty years.

And have held office in three provinces.

And have given nothing in return.

With regret I have been ungrateful for the Emperor's kindness.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 25th November.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELDINE (POLICE MAGISTRATE) AND MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

STORED DYNAMITE.

Leung Chin, compradore to Messrs. Silva & Co., merchants and commission agents, 16, Des Voeux Road, was fined \$100 for storing 240 charges of dynamite and 40 coils of fuse on the premises at the address mentioned. Mr. M. W. Slade defended.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

REGULATING CONSTABLE. Indian P.C. 840 was charged on remand with stealing jewels from Chinese jewellers in Tsimshau. He plead not guilty, and was defended by Mr. M. W. Slade, barrister.

Regent McSwain, who was the complainant, had his complaint lodged with him, by the owners of mysterious disappearances of jewels and his investigation of affairs culminated in the arrest of the defendant.

The charge was found proved, and sentence was passed of three months' hard labour.

DEFUSING LEGAL HIRE. Kyok J., a sampan man, was fined \$5 for refusing to accept a passenger in the person of Charlie Ridgway, bookseller, without having reasonable excuse to justify his action.

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HONGKONG NURSING ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The second annual meeting of the Hongkong Nursing Association was held yesterday in the City Hall, Dr. F. O. Stedman, president, presided and there were also present:—Lady Blake, Sir William Meigh Goodman, Lady Goodman (hon. secretary), Dr. R. M. Gibson, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Toms, Mrs. Harling, Mrs. May, Mrs. Siebs, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Stedman, Mrs. Grist, Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. Gompertz, Mrs. Danby, and Mrs. Whitlow.

The PRESIDENT said—Ladies and gentlemen, the report of the Committee and the statement of accounts from the treasurer are before you, and as I have very little to add to what is stated in the report, I do not propose to detain you with a long speech. I may say that the Institution is filling a great want in the Colony and from a doctor's point of view at least I do not know how we should be able to get on without it, and I think that the same may be said from the patients' point of view also. At present, the fees that are being charged for the services of the nurses are comparatively low—much lower, I believe, than those which are charged in Shanghai; but the Committee have thought it wise to keep the fees as low as is consistent with making the Institution pay its way, so as to bring the services of the nurses within the means of as many persons as possible. It appears that our present rates that the Institution is just able to meet its current expenses, but as we are paying our nurses a sterling salary, I am afraid that with the present low dollar we may find that we shall have to somewhat raise the fees in the near future. The fact that we have been able to carry on the Institution and make it pay its way is to me, eminently satisfactory; but you must remember that although we have the earned enough to pay our working expenses, at present we are not able to pay anything to pay for passage money. Both our present nurses have on a three years agreement at the end of which time we have to pay half their passage home (if they stay five years we pay their full passage home), so that in rather less than two years from now we shall have to find enough money to pay two half-passages home and two full passages out for two new nurses, and we think that we ought to be in a position to do this without seriously drawing on the guarantee fund, and for that purpose it will be necessary to institute an annual subscription. We think that an annual subscription of \$10 will be sufficient to keep the Institution afloat, as we can get 60 or 70 subscribers to support the Institution, and this would, I think, be easily possible. Failing this it seems that the Institution must after a few years become bankrupt, as our small guarantee fund would soon be exhausted in paying passages. As is stated in the report, at present the Committee think that two nurses are sufficient for the needs of the Colony. Our nurses have had a good many days off duty during the year, and the secretary has only on two occasions been unable to supply a nurse when one was asked for; so that we think that at present a third nurse would not be able to earn enough to cover her salary and the expenses of her board and lodgings. I should like to thank the present Committee for the support they have given to the guarantee fund, and also Dr. Fraser, who has kindly acted as honorary treasurer.

Mr. WILLIAM MEIGH GOODMAN moved the adoption of the report, which was as follows:—

The Committee have pleasure in presenting the second annual report and statement of accounts from the 1st of October, 1901, to the 30th September, 1902, to subscribers. During the whole of this time the Institution has had the benefit of the services of Nurse Gray and Nurse Hair, who have been actually engaged in nursing for 257 and 290 days respectively. This clearly shows the need of a Nursing Institution in the Colony, and that the services of trained nurses are both required and appreciated. At present it would appear that two nurses are sufficient to meet the needs of the community, as upon two occasions only was the Institution unable to send a nurse in response to a request to do so. During the period under review, for the guidance of the nurses and their patients have been drawn up. It will be seen from the statement of accounts that the Committee has been able to repay the sum of \$190.44, out of the \$237.77, which it was necessary to borrow from the guarantee fund to meet the expenditures of last year, and that the receipts have been sufficient to meet the working exp's of the present year. The Committee, however, beg to call attention to the fact that the nurses are here on a three years' agreement only, and that at the end of that time the cost of two half-passages home, and two passages out, will have to meet; this is estimated to be about \$1,300 representing \$600 a year, which must be raised by subscription. In accordance with rule 7 it rests with the annual meeting to fix the amount of the subscription for the ensuing year, 1902-3, and the Committee venture to hope that subscribers will come forward in sufficient numbers to enable this useful Institution to carry on its work without diminishing the guarantee fund, which it is most desirable to preserve intact, in order to meet such contingencies as may from time to time arise. The Committee recommend that the subscription for the coming year be fixed at \$10. The sum to the credit of the guarantee fund stood at \$4,270.29 on 1st October, 1902, of which \$3,000 was invested in Hongkong Club debentures bearing interest at 6 per cent., \$1,000 on fixed deposit, and the balance \$270.29 was to the credit of the Institution in current account with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The Honorary Secretary, Mrs. Dickson, having resigned in Feb. last, the Committee, in accordance with the rules, beg to tender their resignation, and being eligible offer themselves for re-election. The Institution, remarked Sir WILLIAM, was a most admirable one, as a great many persons in the Colony could testify by their experience. During the past year the care and excellent nursing they had received were very different to what it would have been had they been left to the tender mercies of ignorant or careless Chinese. It was an excellent Institution and should command itself to the people of the Colony.

Mrs. MAX seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDENT said they had now to consider the amount of the subscription for the ensuing year. The Committee had recommended that it should be \$10, which they believed, would enable the Institution to pay its

way no doubt, he said, looking at the report, that the step was necessary. The passages of the nurses between England and Hongkong were a very heavy item; and they must be met. He trusted there would be sufficient support and that it would not be necessary to increase the subscription beyond \$10.

Mrs. STEDMAN seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The officers and Committee were re-elected, with the exception of Mrs. Harling, who retired, her place on the Committee being taken by Mrs. Siebs.

The meeting then separated.

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER-BOAT CO., LTD.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The second annual meeting of the Hongkong Steam Water-Boat Co., Ltd. was held yesterday in the office of the Company, 20, Des Voeux Road. Mr. Liao Tze Sui, chairman, presided, and there were also present Messrs. E. S. Joseph, J. W. Kew (manager), Captain Clark, Mr. Chan Sui Ki, and F. X. Xavier.

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HUGHES & HOUGH,

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1902. [3145]

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1902. [3152]

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FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship.

"HAILOONG,"

Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 28th inst., at 10 A.M., at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, to discuss and, if necessary, to vote upon various matters affecting their interests.

It is requested that the attendance may be as full as possible.

Shareholders here and at the various ports are requested, if they are unable personally to attend, to appoint representatives who should be provided with a certificate as to the number of shares they represent.

CHANG-YI, Director-General and Superintendent. Tientsin, 25th October, 1902. [3149]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, is hereby called for NOVEMBER the 28th, at 10 A.M., at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, to discuss and, if necessary, to vote upon various matters affecting their interests.

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THE
SORROWS OF A SULTAN'S
SUBJECTS.

BY
A. J. DAWSON
(Author of "Bismillah," &c.).

It is a wonderful city, in Tangier, the gleaming and white-walled; in one sense less wonderful than any other in mysterious Morocco, because less purely Moroccan; in another sense the most wonderful, because sufficiently Moorish, which is to say quite barbarous, whilst almost within gun-shot of Europe, and of a British fortress.

Do you remember the sort of life you read about in your childhood as being the life of the world's infancy; the period of Jacob's dream of Joseph's coat of many colours, of Abraham and his flocks and herds? That life precisely, unchanged in any smallest particular, is being lived from day to day throughout Morocco, within sight of twentieth-century Europe. You remember the Bible story of the sacrifice of Abraham's son, the narrowly escaped sacrifice of his beloved son. The day of that miracle is annually commemorated throughout Morocco, and every respectable householder sacrifices his sheep, in circumstances and surroundings which are absolutely those of the Old Testament.

In one direction it is possible that the subjects of Muhib Abd el Aziz IV, of Morocco have gone beyond any point reached by the Canaries; they know more of tyranny, corruption and oppression in the administration of their beautiful land. What we Westerners call corruption is the very fibre of every root and branch of the absolute despotism which rules Morocco. From his youthful Shareefian Majesty under the Royal Parrot to the meanest city-gate beggar in all Sausa's Land, every man buys place, sells honour, and (according to European notion) cleats over every bargain.

At this moment there lives a Moor named Hadj Abd el Karim, known intimately to the present writer, whose father was a boughten slave, and who, himself, is now a pedlar of water in the market-place. Abd el Karim has once held one of the highest official positions in the land, and twice he has been the honoured, feared, and wealthy Governor of a large province. Once he has been banished within an inch of his life (he stood eight hundred strokes), twice he has disgraced himself for a period of several years in dark and foisted country dungeons, and twice he has been submitted to torture in order that a confession might be wrung from him of the whereabouts of his secreted treasure; on the first occasion his right eye was destroyed, by the lid being pierced with a fishhook suspended from a beam at such a height that the unfortunate man had to stand upon his toes to avoid the dragging out of the eye-lid, and on the second occasion he lost his right hand by having it slit, open and balled up with sand in a strip of balloon's hide.

Understand, this man has never been charged with any offence against the laws of the land; he has never been tried in any court; and even as he has been ruined by those given over to him, so he has himself ruined many over whom he was given power. And in Morocco this man's career is not considered at all remarkable.

THE WAYS OF THE ASSASSIN.

In this one nominally independent strip of the Dark Continent, all official positions of every sort and rank are obtained quite openly by purchase. To purchase the governorship of a given province, means to acquire the right of extorting from the people of that province every farthing that can be ground out of them, by fair means, or by force, or by such foul methods as torture and starvation. Out of this a certain annual tribute must be sent to his Shareefian Majesty, Lord of all the Faithful, master and breaker of all officials. In the same way, to be a guard or policeman (the word in use is assassin, from which, naturally, we derive our assassin's implication), not the holding of a post bringing in a salary of so much a month, but merely that one is a licensed executioner and rogue, within the limits of petty larceny. As, for example, the basis of a town sends two of his assassins to arrest a certain citizen, who is suspected of the crime of possessing secret writings. Those assassins may not attempt to force his treasure from the citizen for themselves. That is not their master. But usage says they may and will extort what they can from the man—a handful of bribe, say—with threats of rough treatment or promise of favour. That is their business, and its rewards are understood to be their sole source of income.

Hebbar Corpus is, of course, unknown in Al Moghreb. A judge's dictum usually runs in this wise:—"Take him to the prison," or "Let him be beaten." In the latter case the master is put in hand forthwith, whilst the judge takes snuff and turns upon his cushions, a slightly bored spectator, his nod sufficient to decide whether the culprit should be merely flogged, maimed, half-killed, or actually done to death.

A deliberate sentence, in which a period of months or years of imprisonment is named is never pronounced. Such a method would never answer, for the duration of any prisoner's confinement depends entirely upon the length of time taken by his friends in scraping together a bribe which shall satisfy the responsible official. And this, whether the crime be the most dastardly kind of murder, or the merest vagabond, or nothing at all beyond the misfortune of being judged a prospering man with a nest-egg worth plundering.

White in prison—d'you will be r' mind that the best and the worst of men are equally unable to avoid the risk of imprisonment at any time—a man is given nothing whatever by the authorities if there is a friend within reach who can be induced to supply as much as a piece of bread per day. If, on the other hand, a prisoner should prove to be absolutely treeless (a state of things fortunately very rare among all primitive peoples) the authorities allow him one b' an loaf, the shape and size of an English bath bun, each day. And that is all. For water, Moorish

prisoners depend upon the door-keeper of their prison, who usually applies two skins full per day paid for out of jeno taken from in-coming and out-going prisoners. The door-keeper, being an official, is unpaid, and pays in presents to the official next in rank above him, for the privilege of making just as much as he is able by extortion. He appoints one prisoner as Kaid or captain of the whole number confined. This again is a licence to rob and oppress, in return for which the prisoner Kaid pays daily tribute to the door-keeper. He keeps order among his fellows, distributes water, metes out corporal punishment, and extorts tribute in money, food, tobacco, and the like from every prisoner possessed of friends to bring him these things. The prison itself is a noisome and foetid dungeon of rocking stone-work, open to public inspection through a loop-hole at which the door-keeper sits at the receipt of bribes. The prisoners, sick and whole, half mad and sane, misandied and sane, age, half, blind, maimed, silent and noisy all are herded together—a terrible gathering.

They may smoke—when they have anything to smoke. They may talk, fight, sing, play, or sleep, when and how they choose. There are many of them philanders and all of them fatalists, and all Moors are fatalists. Hence even friendless prisoners take a long while to die. Capital punishment is practically unknown; but a man takes his chance of death in many forms; under torture, the question, starvation and the like. In cases of rebellion the government pays as much as four pessas (say, half a crown) apiece for the heads of rebels, the which are then given to the door-keeper to add to his daily tribute.

A BAD PLACE TO BE BORN IN—HUT WORSE
TO BE BORN IN.

Taking it by and large, Moorish life is really free from crime, as crime figures in the Newgate calendar. One might almost add that upon the whole the Moors are an innocent and law-abiding people. Particularly when one remembers that they have no laws—es an Irishman might put it. But the Moorish administration is one of the most corrupt on earth, and in no other country is money, or the desire of it, so emphatically the root of all evil as it is in this realm of Mohammed's creation, Abd el Aziz IV.

A pretty bad place to be poor in! you might exclaim, when you heard of a man who was tramping twenty miles to a market, very heavily laden, and devoting three days to the journey of about fifteen miles. True, but, in a sense, it is a worse country to be rich in. A man who is notoriously and unmistakably poor, and without monied relatives, is tolerably secure from the risks of imprisonment or persecution, unless he commits crime or offends some powerful person. A warm man, as we say, is never safe, no man or how soothly spoken, or how generous in the matter of judiciously distributed bush money.

This is the Basha of a Moorish town, or the Kaid of a district are veritable autocrats. Their lieutenants (Khaleefah) are minor autocrats. Both sit in public judgment every day. All serious cassivellous sermons, that is large, bribes. Such cases are h'rd by the Basha. All petty cases, domestic quarrels, brawling, and the like, involve small bribes of chickens, tea, eggs, butter, sugar, small silver, &c. Such cases come before the Khaleefah. Purely civil cases, or those involving reference to K. radio injunctions, go before the Kadi, a dignified person who can read and write his name, and must be bribed through his clerk. I have seen three loaves of sugar and a packet of candles change the whole complexion of a case involving many months of imprisonment and starvation. I have seen plaintiffs and defendants both bound and soundly bestioided, and their case dismissed with scorn and contempt; and I wonder not at all when I learned that the foolish fellows had come to court bearing no more valuable gifts than a pound of butter and two candles.

Let me instance a case as brief as may be from recent court proceedings in Al Ksar el Keber. Mahomet, a Tangier Moor, appeared in the Khaleefah and complained that Cassim Riffi had man-handled him in the open market. Mahomet desired that Cassim might be beaten in the Kasbah for this. At the same time he placed three packets of candles and two dollars, a very respectable gift, on a mat beside the Khaleefah. His Worship grunted affably, and sent two soldiers for Cassim. Mahomet waited to watch events. Presently Cassim appeared between the two soldiers, a splendid specimen of a mountain man, with wild eyes, which he kept downcast. And that was the loss of him, for, even in the complainant's presence, his eyes might have telegraphed the Khaleefah's promise of a bribe, this being quite a customary method. However, Cassim obstinately eyed the floor, seeing that he had a hardened rogue to deal with the Khaleefah sighted (as naturally prefers a bribe from his b' sides) and without a question of any sort, said to Cassim:—

"So dog, you will fall upon good Muslims here in Al Ksar, and beat them, h'?" Then to the soldiers:—"Take him to prison and scourge him well—two hundred strokes. Leave him there." (This quotation is unadorned and as literal as I can make it.) Cassim was led away proud to speak. I rode after him toward the prison, leaving my servant in the court. Just as we reached the prison's outer courtyard, a soldier overtook us, breathless, and followed closely by my Moor. We were ordered back to court. Cassim's uncle, my servant explained to me, was a man of substance. He had arrived at the court five minutes after Cassim's departure thence for prison. He had spoken with the Khaleefah, and counted out ten dollars into his worship's hand. On our return, I entered the Court at Cassim's heels. This is what passed.

The Khaleefah, good-humouredly:—"How is this, Riffi (Cassim)? How comes it you did not tell me that you had not really beaten Mahomet?" Cassim, the Riffi, sulky:—"Lord, why should I talk of such cattle! The beating that I gave him he."

The Khaleefah:—"Eh, eh! Sivel, sivel!

This my com is not the market place. I can

not have so much noise here. Go away, all of

you!" Complainant, Mahomet, stepped forward:—"But, Lord..." "Out-side! Away with you, I say! or you'd be stuck, Mahomet!"

Roared the Khaleefah.

An ill-considered affair, I suppose, though it paid twelve or fourteen dollars into the Khaleefah's pocket. But this is illustrative of ordinary Moorish methods in the administration of justice, as well as in great matters as in small. And withal, what is the attitude of most Moors towards the sufferer in these matters? Would they willingly exchange this sort of rule for what we of the West consider a just and proper administration? It is an easy question to answer. Freedom from oppression must be desirable to all men. But regular taxation, an efficient police service, and submission to the intricate code of rules, big and little, which is at the root of our civilisation—these things form the price which has to be paid for justice of administration as we understand it, and it is greatly to be doubted whether Moors would ever willingly pay that price. Meanwhile, the feeling with which they regard a fellow-countryman, who shows himself well disposed towards Christians and Christians or European immorality of any sort, is well exemplified by the fol-

lowing little story, a perfectly true one, of an event which marked my last stay in Tangier, the initial affliction, where Moors are more accustomed to the ways of Europeans, and more tolerant toward them, than is any other part of the empire.

THE STRANGE STORY OF SID TAUER'S DEATH.

A new Basha was sent to Tangier, Sid Tauer Tazzi, an enlightened man as modern Moors go, and one related to a Moorish family living in Liverpool. He had the enviable reputation among Moors of being well-disposed toward Christians. A fortnight after his arrival in Tangier, Sid Tauer died, from causes unexplained, and was buried. Inquests are unknown, and post-mortem examinations unheard of in Morocco, where they would be deemed abominable and sacrilegious acts. I enquired first of one and then of half a dozen other Moors, as to the real cause of the new Basha's death. This is what I was told.

The original owner of the Basha's palace in

Tangier was a Muslim of the Muslims, a Moor to the finger-ends, and one to whom intercourse

of any sort with an unbeliever, a Nazarene, had

seemed the basest sort of blasphemy. He was the

creator of that famous phrase.—The knife for the

Hadj (Jew); the hook for the N'zari (Christian). The hook was just a hook a giant fish-hook—which was kept conveniently fixed over city gateways, in order that a be-lier, when so minded, might take a Christian to the top of the wall, and drop him upon the hook, there to hang and squirm, impaled, till death did him release. I recently examined one of those hooks at Fez myself; though, to be sure, the good old days of their constant use (as a Moor might say) are no more.

Now this first owner of the palace carried his

hatred of the infidel with him when he was

wanted into paradise. Instead of lying idly

feasting in his es'cal pavilion there, he has

visited earth every night since his deth, and

climbed round his old palace in Tangier to see

how things were going.

The most of Tangier's Basbas have been men

whom even the inventor of the hook phrase

could not have accused of friendliness with the

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The Chinese steamer "Kuang Tshu," from Shanghai 22nd inst., had strong N.E. monsoon with heavy following seas down to Breaker Point; from there down to port, light easterly winds with fine weather.

The British steamer "Hailoring," from Swatow 23rd inst., and fine weather the night out. Vessel in Swatow-Yao-chow, Yungking, Salween, Ykiang, Taksang, Bitiau Maru, Tzotzu, Kien-shan, Tsin-ping, Chong-chang, Fau-sang, Pao-ting and Wai-ping.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

STEAM FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIGO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"BAYERN."

OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

Captain H. Bleeker, due here with the outward German Mail about THURSDAY, the 27th inst. A.M., will leave for the above places about 24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1902.

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Hongkong, 20th November, 1902.

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG,

VIA

SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND

YOKOHAMA,

FOR

VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA,

IN CONNECTION WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Steamer. Captain. Tons. Sailing Date.

GLENNOGUE. G. E. Warner 3,750 December 6th

TAOMA. A. Dixon 2,811 December 17th

TREMONT. 9,406 December 30th

VICTORIA. J. Pantau 3,502 January 3rd

Steamers marked * have no passenger accommodation.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and to the Principal Cities in the United States and Canada.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL & COMPANY, LIMITED,

GENERAL AGENTS.

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OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LTD.

OUTWAARDS.
STEAMERS
FROM GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL. "PELEUS" DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL. "TYDEUS" On 3rd December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL. "TELEMACHUS" On 15th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL. "PROMETHEUS" On 31st December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL. "TYDEUS" On 8th January.
HOMEWARDS.
STEAMERS
FOR AMSTERDAM and LONDON. "TANTALUS" TO SAIL
(Taking Cargo at London Rates) "ALCINOS" On 9th December.
LONDON "ULYSSES" On 20th December.
LONDON "PELEUS" On 23rd December.
LONDON "ANTENOR" On 6th January.
LIVERPOOL "TYDEUS" On 20th January.
For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong 25th November, 1902.

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CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

OUTWAARDS.
STEAMERS
FROM GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL. "MOYUNE" DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL. "OOPACK" On 27th November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL. "NINGCHOW" On 10th December.
On 25th December.

HOMEWARDS.
STEAMERS
FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE, LONDON and ANTWERP. "TEEN KAI" TO SAIL
On 20th December.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.
STEAMERS
FOR VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, via "MOYUNE" On 27th November.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA. "NINGCHOW" On 27th December.
For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1902.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO. STEAMERS
SHANGHAI "SUNGKANG" TO SAIL
SHANGHAI "SHANSI" On 28th November.
SHANGHAI "TIENSIN" On 1st December.
SHANGHAI "FOOCHOW" On 2nd December.
SHANGHAI "CHINGTU" On 4th December.
KORE and YOKOHAMA. THURSDAY (ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE) "CHANGSHA" On 5th December.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried, taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports, and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.

See Special Advertisement.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1902.

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PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG via MOJI, KOBE PORTLAND, OREGON
AND YOKOHAMA FOR
OPERATING IN
CONNECTION WITH THE
OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP TONS. CAPTAIN TO SAIL ON

"INDRAPURA" 4,899 A. E. Hollingsworth December 1, 1902

"INDRASAMHA" 5,197 R. P. Craven December 14, 1902

"INDRAVELI" 4,899 W. C. Craven January 14, 1903

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1902.

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HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. Surgeon carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	FOR	SAILING DATE.
ZAFIRO	2540	E. Rodger	Manila Direct.	26th Nov. at Noon.
RUBI	2540	W. Lawson	do	3rd Dec. at Noon.
PERLA	1880	J. McGinty	do	do
DIAMANTE	1880	A. H. Notely	do	do

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1902.

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THE PENTINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEBULY, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON. THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship "PARRAMATTA," Captain E. J. Fox, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 6th December, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWITT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1902.

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NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEFECTS.

NEITHER the CAPTAIN, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crew of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

DAYLIGHT, British 4-m. barque, James Reed,

—Standard Oil Co.

MANUEL LLAGUNA, American ship, Nichols,

—Standard Oil Co.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

HONGKONG TO SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE VIA USUAL AUSTRALIAN PORTS OF CALL.

AVERAGE LENGTH OF VOYAGE TO SYDNEY 20 DAYS.

Saloon Passengers carried at SPECIALLY REDUCED RATES, particulars of which can be obtained on application to the Undersigned.

NEXT SAILINGS. "CHANGSHA" leaves on 5th December.

"CHINGTU" 29th December.

"TAIYUAN" 20th January.

"TSINAN" 16th February.

Superior accommodation amidships. Electric Light throughout. Fitted with refrigerator which ensure a fresh supply of ice and provisions during the entire voyage. Duly qualified European Surgeon carried.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

AGENTS

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1902.

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NOTES.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS,

in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line,

are prepared to issue THROU-

GHS. LADING for all the principal ports in

SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-

CHINA STATE NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly

service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailing from

CALCUTTA for CAN. PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars,

apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

REGULAR
STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE
PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"BORDER KNIGHT" About 24th Nov.

"ORONO" 10th Dec.

"CROYDON" 29th Dec.

1903.

"MOGUL" 3rd Jan.

"HINDUSTAN" 15th Jan.

"MACDUFF" To follow.

"SHIMOSA" To follow.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1902.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT,

MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN

AND BLACK SEA PORTS,

LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX,

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 1st December, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship

"SYDNEY," Captain Negre, with Mails

Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this

Port for MARSEILLES, via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the

s.s. "Polyester," which vessel takes on her

Passengers and Mails, leaving that port on the

13th December, direct to Suez, Port Said and

Marsa.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for Lon-

don as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in

transit through Marseilles for the principal

places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M.

Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 30th

November. (Parcels are not to be sent on

board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to the Com-

pany's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX.

Agents.

Hongkong, 19th November, 1902.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and

YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"TONKIN,"

Captain Schmitz, will be despatched for the

above ports on or about MONDAY, the 1st

December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. de CHAMPEAUX.

Agents.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1902.

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"BENGAL"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND

STRAIT.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named

steamers are hereby requested to send in their

Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel

will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk

and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in

any case whatever.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF

NEW YORK.

Oriental Shipping Department,

By J. W. HOLLES, Agent.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1902.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"BENGAL,"</

